Executive Order 2005-21 Department of Fire, Building, and Life Safety Cabinet Position

WHEREAS, the Department of Fire, Building, and Life Safety (the "Department") is currently responsible for enforcing state laws and ordinances of cities and counties relating to fire prevention and adopting fire protection codes that have a direct affect on life safety issues of the citizens of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Department is responsible for the fire safety inspections of over 1,479 private and public school sites, over 4,224 state buildings, 905 county buildings, and all Department of Corrections facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Department maintains and enforces standards of the quality and safety for manufactured homes, mobile homes and factory-built buildings in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Department is charged with taking an increased role in the training of fire departments state wide to provide improved firefighting skills for all of Arizona's Firefighters, which will save the lives of both citizens and firefighters; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's recent catastrophic fires, coupled with the need for heightened awareness in the post 9/11 world, has placed much greater demands on our first responders, both professional and volunteer; and

WHEREAS, the Department will team up with the Land Department, specifically the Forestry office, to coordinate firefighter training and certification programs in the State of Arizona, including wildland and urban interface training programs, and assist in coordinating the efforts of various State and Federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, the Department will play an increasingly important role in many facets of Arizona government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby order that the Director of the Department of Fire, Building, and Life Safety shall serve on my cabinet and shall be invited to attend and participate in all future meetings of the Governor's cabinet.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

J My GOVERNOR

Done at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 5^{1/2} day of August in the Year Two Thousand and Five and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirtieth.

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Janice K. Brewer SECRETARY OF STATE